

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL **BUDGET COMMITTEE*** Thursday, October 25, 2012

5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Members: Tim Burgess, Chair

Sally Bagshaw, Member Sally J. Clark, Member

Richard Conlin, Member Jean Godden, Member Bruce A. Harrell, Member Nick Licata, Member

Mike O'Brien, Member

Tom Rasmussen, Member

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Location: Council Chamber, City Hall

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Committee Chair Telephone: 206-684-8806 **Council Meeting Listen Line:** 206-684-8566

Notice of Seattle City Council Public Hearings on the Mayor's 2013-2014 Proposed Budget, 2013 General Revenue Sources, the Elliott Bay Seawall Project, and the Waterfront Improvement Program

> Thursday, October 25, 2012, 5:30 p.m. City Council Chambers, City Hall, Floor 2 600 4th Avenue, Seattle WA

The Seattle City Council Budget Committee will conduct four public hearings on Thursday, October 25, 2012 starting at 5:30 p.m. The hearings will be held in City Council Chambers. Councilmember Tim Burgess will chair the hearings.

The first hearing, scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m. will be for comments on the Elliott Bay Seawall Project.

Video Archive: http://www.seattlechannel.org/videos/watchVideos.asp?program=budget





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^{*}This meeting also constitutes a meeting of the Full Council, provided that the meeting shall be conducted as a committee meeting under the Council Rules and Procedures, and Council action shall be limited to committee business.

- The second hearing, scheduled to begin at 5:35 p.m. (or at conclusion of the first hearing, whichever is later) will be for comments on the Waterfront Improvement Project.
- The third hearing, scheduled to begin at 5:45 p.m. (or at conclusion of the second hearing, whichever is later) will be for comments on the City's general revenue sources for the 2013 budget, including a possible property tax levy increase.
- The fourth hearing, scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. (or at the conclusion of the third hearing, whichever is later), will be for comments on the Mayor's 2013-2014 Proposed Budget and will continue until all in-person comments are received.

At the hearings, out of respect for everyone's time constraints, it would be appreciated if members of groups with similar interests could combine their presentations and limit comments to five minutes. Individual comments will be limited by the Budget Committee Chair, probably to two minutes or less.

For those wishing to testify in person at the hearings, sign-up sheets will be available outside the door to Council Chambers at 5 p.m. **Access to City Hall** is via 4th or 5th Avenues, between James and Cherry Streets.

The Budget Committee hearings will be cablecast live on Seattle Channel 21 and webcast live at www.seattle.gov/council.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

The Mayor's 2013-2014 Proposed Budget and accompanying 2013-2018 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) will be available online at www.seattle.gov on or after September 24, 2012. A paper copy of the Proposed Budget will be available on or after October 1, 2012, at the Central Library. To purchase a printed copy of the Proposed Budget or CIP contact Zebra Printing at (206) 223-1955.

For questions regarding the Proposed Budget, contact Brandon Johns of the City Budget Office (CBO) at (206) 684-8687. For questions about the Mayor's proposed revenue sources, contact George Emerson at (206) 733-9110. For questions related to the Council's review of the Proposed Budget and revenue sources, contact Ben Noble of the Council's Central Staff at (206) 684-8160 or Nate Van Duzer in Councilmember Tim Burgess's Office at (206)-684-8806.

The Mayor's Proposed 2013 – 2014 Budget includes funding for the Elliott Bay Seawall Project and the Waterfront Improvement Program. These projects and programs may be considered proposed Partner Projects subject to notice and hearing provisions in Resolution 31203.

The Elliott Bay Seawall Project will replace the existing seawall, from S. Washington Street to Virginia Street with a structure that meets current safety and design standards. The project will also improve the nearshore ecosystem of Elliott Bay and provide opportunities for recreation and shoreline access of the Seawall from Washington to Virginia streets. The current aging Seawall is not designed to withstand seismic events. The proposed amount of the City's capital commitment to the project in 2013 is \$46.9 million. The City's capital spending over the life of the project starting in 2013 is estimated at \$246 million.

Questions about the project can be directed to Jennifer Wieland, SDOT: Tel (206) 733-9970 or Jennifer.Wieland@seattle.gov

The Waterfront Improvement Program project is a component of the Alaskan Way Viaduct & Seawall Replacement Program established to create an inviting new waterfront. The Program includes a number of elements including demolishing the existing Alaskan Way Viaduct, constructing a new Alaskan Way surface street and decommissioning the Battery Street Tunnel. In addition, new public space, from the Olympic Sculpture Park to Pioneer Square, will be created including parks and paths, access to the water, places to enjoy views, vibrant public and cultural spaces, and a new urban street that will accommodate all modes of travel and provide an important connection in the City's transportation system. The proposed amount of the City's capital commitment to the project in 2013 is \$12.5 million. The City's capital spending over the life of the project starting in 2013 is estimated at \$368 million.

Questions about the project can be directed to Hannah McIntosh: Tel (206) 615-1963 or Hannah.McIntosh@seattle.gov.

Documents for the Elliott Bay Seawall Project and the Waterfront Improvement Program are available at the City's website at: http://www.seattle.gov/council/budget/

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written and e-mailed comments on the Mayor's 2013-2014 Proposed Budget are welcome throughout budget deliberations and up to the date that the Council adopts the final budget. That could take place sooner or later than the target date of November 19, 2012. You may mail comments to: Councilmember Tim Burgess, Attn: Laurel Humphrey, City Clerk, P.O. Box 94728, Seattle, WA 98124-4728. Fax comments to (206) 386-9025. E-mail comments may be sent to: Councilmembers at council@seattle.gov. Written, faxed, and e-mailed comments will be included in the public record.

PARKING FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS AT CITY HALL

Pay parking is available in SeaPark garage between Cherry and James Streets and 5th and 6th Avenues. Those attending the budget public hearings receive a discounted rate of \$3. Notify the garage cashier as you exit the garage that you attended a City Council public hearing and you will receive the special rate. Please note that this garage closes at 10:00 p.m. Handicapped parking ONLY is available in City Hall. See http://www.seattle.gov/council/visiting_city_hall.htm - "Visiting City Hall" for more information, including how individuals with disabilities can access parking

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